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The city's Housing Department's mission is to provide and promote diversified environments for low-income families, seniors and persons with disabilities by operating and leasing assisted and affordable housing.

Affordable Rental Properties

Provides apartment rentals with excellent amenities to eligible families and individuals at below-market rents. For information, call 602-534-2142.

Conventional Housing

Designed to assist low-income individuals and families.
For information, call 602-534-2142.

Section 8

Families and seniors are assisted with renting apartments, townhouses, condominiums, or houses owned and managed by private landlords.
For information, call 602-534-2142.

Did You Know ...

The Housing Department's Section 8 program brings in almost \$25 million of rental assistance into the community annually. These dollars benefit about 4,000 families and 2,500 property owners.

Senior Housing

Provides homes for seniors and people with disabilities.
For information, call 602-534-2142.

Scattered Sites Home Ownership

This program rents single-family homes to families who work toward homeownership. For information, call 602-261-8035.

Housing Programs

Family Self-Sufficiency Program

830 E. Jefferson St., Second Floor

This program provides tenants in Section 8, Conventional and Scattered Site Housing with supportive services to help them become independent of welfare assistance. For information, call 602-261-8946.

Economic Initiatives Program

830 E. Jefferson St., Second Floor

This program is designed to assist residents in public housing with personal and technical skills to obtain gainful employment and move out of public housing. For information, call 602-261-8946.

Drug Elimination Program

830 E. Jefferson St., Second Floor

Assists public housing residents with employment for adults and youths, and provides parenting leadership programs to prevent gang and drug involvement. For information, call 602-261-8548.

Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME)

251 W. Washington St., Fourth Floor

Federal HOME funds are used by the city and other agencies to increase the availability of affordable housing for lower income renters and homeowners. For information, call 602-262-6602.

Nonprofit Assistance

251 W. Washington St., Fourth Floor

This program provides assistance to nonprofit organizations that provide low- and moderate-income housing as well as improve neighborhoods for families and individuals. For information, call 602-262-6602.

Fair Housing

City and federal fair housing laws require that all people have an equal opportunity, free of discrimination, to buy, rent or live in housing of their choice. For information on fair housing or to file a housing discrimination complaint, call the Equal Opportunity Department at 602-262-7486. If this is strictly a landlord/tenant dispute, call the Neighborhood Services Department at 602-256-3517.

Help in Buying a Home

The city's Housing Department coordinates a number of programs to assist families in becoming home owners for the first time, including:

- **203(k) Dream Maker Program** – offers down payment and closing cost assistance to first-time home buyers that are financing the purchase of a home with an FHA 203(k) mortgage. Financing is only available for existing Phoenix housing that needs a minimum of \$5,000 in repairs. For information, call toll free 1(888)276-5996.
- **First-time HOMEbuyers Program** – provides four percent interest rate financing and down payment and closing cost assistance to buyers earning below 60 percent of median income. Financing is only available for existing Phoenix housing that needs a minimum of \$5,000 in repairs. For information on funding availability and program guidelines, call Community Housing Resources of Arizona, Inc. at 602-631-9780.

- **Home Ownership Assistance Program** – provides funding to nonprofit organizations for use in financing down payment and closing cost assistance programs for first-time home buyers earning less than 80 percent of median income. The funding is limited for use in assisting home purchases made in Phoenix. For information, nonprofit organizations should call 602-262-6602.
- **Single-Family Mortgage Credit Certificate Program** – provides tax credits, down payment and closing cost financing for low- and moderate-income home buyers. Buyers may not have owned a home for three years before the purchase of the new home. Generally, the home must be purchased in Phoenix, but occasionally the program is expanded to include other parts of the state. For information on funding availability and program requirements, call Community Housing Resources of Arizona, Inc. at 602-631-9780.
- **Single-Family Mortgage Revenue Bond Program** – offers below-market interest rate loans for low- and moderate-income home buyers. Buyers may not have owned a home for three years before the purchase of the new home. Generally, the home must be purchased in Phoenix, but occasionally, the program is expanded to include other parts of Maricopa County or the state. For information on funding availability and program requirements, call the Housing Department at 602-262-6602.

Home Improvement Loan Program (*see Neighborhood Services*)

Homeless (*see Human Services*)

Housing Rehabilitation Program (*see Neighborhood Services*)

Landlord/Tenant Counseling & Training

The Neighborhood Services Housing Counselors provide landlord/tenant counseling and housing mediation services to city of Phoenix residents. The HUD certified counselors also provide landlord/tenant training clinics and work closely with the Police Department's Crime-Free Multi-Housing Program. Topics covered include:

- landlord/tenant regulations;
- what do changes in the property maintenance ordinances mean to you;
- the Phoenix crime free multi-housing program; and
- how to be a good landlord and make a profit.

For information or to register for landlord and tenant training clinics, call 602-256-3517.

Residential Rental Property Statute

(*see Neighborhood Services – Neighborhood Preservation*)

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